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Proposed courses: Lifetime Wellness would combine Personal Health, activity lecture

By Mark Ernstmann
Editor-in-Chief

Because of changes proposed by a general education committee, incoming students would need only three credit hours of physical education as opposed to the existing four.

The new course, Lifetime Wellness, would combine the current Personal Health requirement and the lecture portion of the physical activity requirement. An activity would still be required, but only one credit hour would be awarded instead of two. Lifetime Wellness would be worth two credit hours.

According to Dr. Max Oldham, department head of physical education, the combination would provide students with a better view of wellness.

"This would probably bring the wellness concept across a little better to the students," he said. "Under the present arrangement, there tends to be a little duplication in topics."

Oldham said several of the topics covered in Personal Health also are covered in various other general education courses. He said that caused "disjointed

views by students."

"We would not be able to cover some things," he said, "but students would get some exposure to them from other classes."

If the new course is approved, classes would be smaller. Additional instructors would be available since the lecture class would no longer be offered. Hence, more sections of the course would be added.

"This would enable instructors and students to have better discussion. It would make it more personal."

According to the proposed syllabus, the course "provides contemporary information about the beneficial effects of a positive health life-style and how to implement and live such a life-style."

"We want the students to know the effects of living a positive lifestyle," said Oldham. "We want them to be able to do many things by themselves and make their own decisions."

Some of the topics to be covered include cardiovascular endurance, drugs and behavior, nutrition, smoking, and dealing with stress.

"We want the student to become an individual consumer of wellness."

Foreign markets would be focus

Wanting to internationalize its curriculum, Missouri Southern could soon offer an International Business course.

According to Dr. Robert Brown, dean of the school of business, there are three objectives for the proposed course.

"First of all, we want to increase the awareness that culture, language, and perspective will influence business relations," Brown said. "Secondly, we're going to try to teach the theory of international business. We want to show them why the dollar goes up and down in foreign markets."

"Our other goal will be to give the practical dimensions of trading and selling goods and how to maintain international relationships."

Brown said prerequisites for the course would be The American Economic System or Principles of Economics, but said the course is intended for all students.

Dr. Jasbir Jaswal, professor of business, agreed with Brown in that it could offer

Merriam would stress awareness

In hopes of broadening students' cultural scope, the general education committee has proposed an Intercultural Communication class.

Richard Massa, head of the communications department, brought the idea to the general education committee.

"I suggested the possibility of an Intercultural Communication class in hopes of achieving some of the goals the committee sought," Massa said. "It is a somewhat traditional communication course found in the curriculum of many colleges and universities."

Dr. Allen Merriam, associate professor of communications, is looking forward to teaching the class.

"I'm really excited about teaching this aspect of communications," Merriam said. "I think the topic applies directly to students. It could help broaden their awareness of the world."

Massa believes Merriam may be the strongest candidate in the communications department to instruct the course.

"Right now, Dr. Merriam teaches a course called International Communica-

Ashcroft plans campus visit on March 23

Planning a visit to Missouri Southern on Wednesday, March 23, Gov. John Ashcroft is expected to announce his intent to seek re-election.

"He's going to make his intentions known," said Mike Ales, president of the Missouri Southern College Republicans.

"I believe the Governor is making a swing through the area announcing his intention to run for the office again," said College President Julio Leon.

Ashcroft's visit is planned for 2:45 p.m. in front of Reynolds Hall. The College may hold a formal dedication ceremony for the Reynolds Hall addition then.

Dr. Glenn Dolence, vice president for student services, said he was first contacted earlier this week about an Ashcroft visit to the campus.

"something for all students."

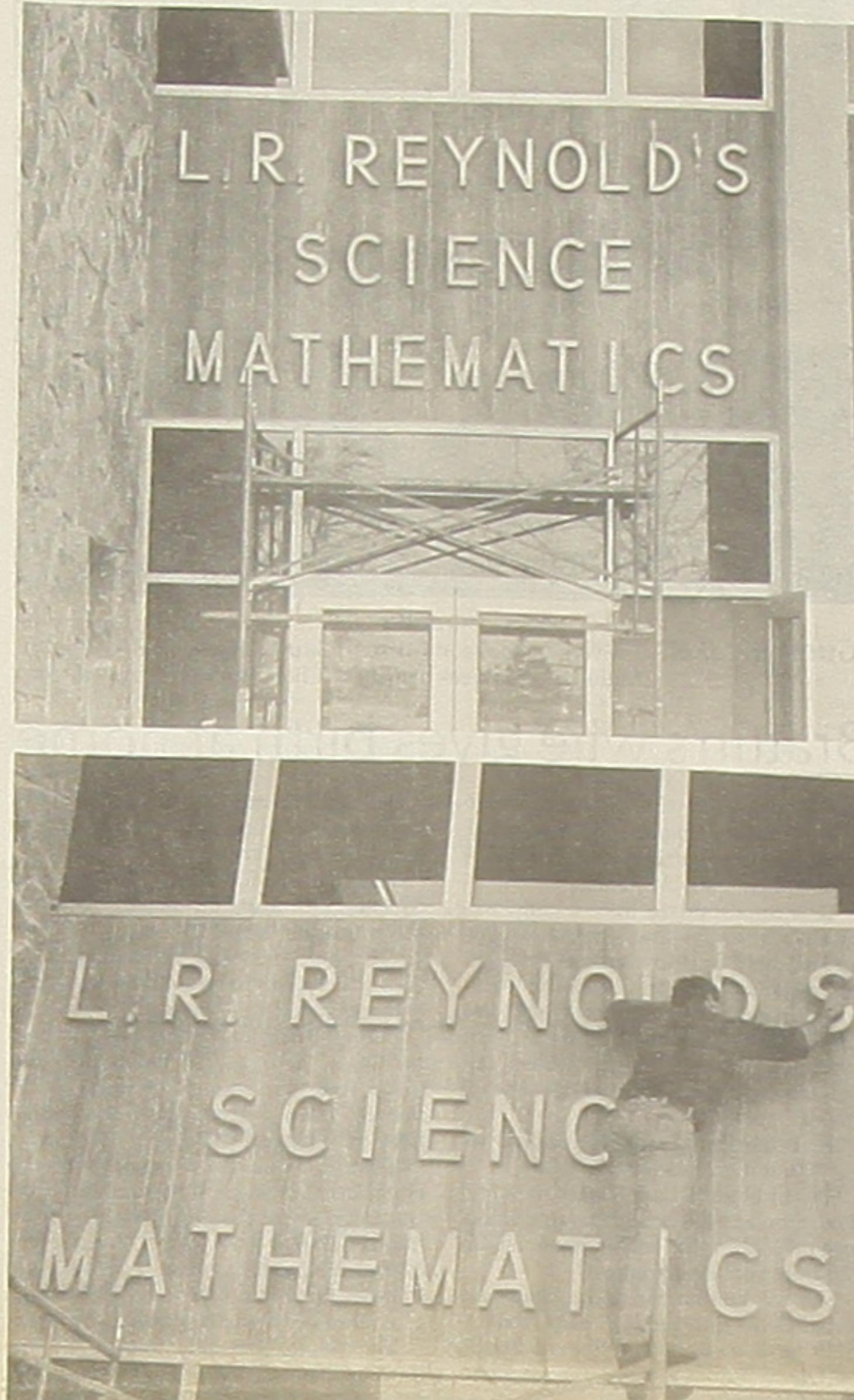
"I think it would be beneficial to many students in all areas of the campus curriculum," Jaswal said. "I think, in particular, it will benefit those interested in business, economics, and international trade. It's going to be a course that will stress some aspects of trade and, in general, international business."

According to Brown, the course is likely to be offered next spring. Brad Kleindl, instructor of business, said he and Jaswal are the course's likely instructors.

"I'll be trying to bring out that the international market is much more dynamic than our American market," Kleindl said. "We have to stop looking at America as the end-all market. We have to understand that there is another world of business out there."

Dr. Holland Blades, professor of business, said he is pleased with the structure of the course.

"It's a course that will give students a much broader perspective," Blades said.



Oops!

Applying the finishing touches to the Reynolds Hall addition, construction workers mistakenly put an apostrophe in 'Reynold's' (top photo). The error was removed Monday afternoon (above).

Campus open house nears

Messick is pleased with departmental participation

Plans are being finalized and participation continues to grow as Missouri Southern's open house approaches.

The event will be held March 27 and is in conjunction with the College's 50th anniversary celebration.

According to Dr. John Messick, chairman of the open house subcommittee, "All of the ducks are in a row for the 27th."

"I think for an event of this size, we are ahead of schedule," he said. "Campus participation has been outstanding and there is a lot of enthusiasm."

Jean Campbell, staff assistant to the 50th anniversary committee, agreed with Messick and said several campus organizations have already volunteered their time.

"The participation of student organizations has been great," said Campbell. "Everyone is on the same team. This event is beginning to be fine-tuned."

According to Campbell, a hospitality tent will be set up in the main parking lot. Folders containing a map of the campus and other information pertaining to "where to go and what to see" will be distributed to visitors.

Messick said the purpose of the open house will not be solely dedicated to marketing the College.

"It's just a time to invite some friends over," he said. "It will give the communi-

ty a first-hand look at the College. Many people have not had the opportunity to see the actual workings of this school."

For the event, a tour system has been devised by the committee. The campus has been divided into five areas, each represented by a color. Tour guides and shuttle buses will be used to move visitors to the various areas.

The "Blue Tour" will consist of Kuhn Hall, the mansion complex, MSTV, KXMS, and the alumni house.

Matthews Hall, the technology building, and the barn theatre will be encompassed in the "Ivory Tour."

The "Pink Tour" will consist of the fine arts complex, Taylor Hall, and the Robert Ellis Young Gymnasium.

Hearnes Hall, Spiva Library, Reynolds Hall, and the Billingsly Student Center will be included in the "Green Tour," while the police academy and the residence halls are in the "Yellow Tour."

Throughout the day, various activities will be held in each section. Students will be manning laboratories and giving demonstrations while faculty members will be available to answer questions.

"Lots of people are involved," said Messick. "Every area must be involved. Everyone is working very hard to make this event a successful one."

New system should aid enrollment procedure

By Jimmy Sexton
Staff Writer

Beginning with the fall semester, Missouri Southern will implement a new pre-enrollment system.

"We're just trying to improve the system," said Sidney Shouse, assistant vice president and controller. "We're always trying to find new ways to improve the service to the students."

Under the present system, students must pay a "block sum" before they can pick up their books and attend classes. Under the new system, starting in mid-April, a \$25 deposit will be required to hold the student's pre-enrollment schedule beyond the month in which the student pre-enrolls. The student has until the 30th of that month to pay this deposit, or the student's schedule will be dropped.

"If you're serious about enrolling, this deposit will confirm that," said Shouse.

According to Dr. Eugene Mouser, registrar, about 10 percent of the pre-enrolled students do not show up for classes the next semester.

"I think the only thing that will cause some problems will be the people coming up with the \$25 deposit," Mouser said.

In essence, the student is just "paying the deposit to confirm his schedule."

The new pre-enrollment policy also will bring a change in the tuition payment. Students will now be billed two weeks after the start of the semester so they will have a chance to make any additions or drops in classes and become settled with their new schedule.

"If we're not paid by the specified date in the bill, we'll send a notice to drop the student's courses," Shouse said.

This later payment date will give the students additional time to pay and will eliminate the long lines at the "fee counter."

"This system is designed to see what classes are in demand and adjust accordingly," said Shouse.

A final change brought about by the new pre-enrollment system will be the rental of textbooks.

Students are presently required to pay their tuition in full in order to receive their books. But beginning July 5, they will be able to pick up their books (according to availability) by paying a \$25 deposit to the bookstore.

The book deposit and the pre-enrollment deposit will be subtracted from the total amount of tuition. If the student's financial aid package covers tuition plus books, both deposits will be refunded by the third week of school.

"The beauty of this is that it gives the students an opportunity to pick up their books earlier and pay later," said Shouse.

This new pre-enrollment system has been "in the works" for about two years.

"Last summer, the administration gave us top priority for this," Shouse said.

Many other respected colleges, including Ohio State and Oklahoma State University, have used this type of system for several years and have had much success.

"The idea for this [new system] originally came from Dr. [Floyd] Belk," said Steve Earney, director of the computer center. "He was at Oklahoma State and observed how it worked and that it was a good idea."



Up in smoke

College maintenance workers burn accumulated trash on the southwest edge of campus. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)

Senate receives briefing on proposed changes

Committee also reviews sabbatical leave policy

By Mark R. Mulik
Managing Editor

Stressing changes in the College's general education requirements and sabbatical leave policy, the Faculty Senate met Monday.

Dr. Floyd Belk, vice president for academic affairs, gave a presentation to the Senate regarding general education requirement changes.

"In the past 21 years, we have had an excellent general education program," he said. "If there's anything that has brought this faculty together, it's general education."

Belk said he originally wanted nine goals of general education at Southern. The general education oversight committee decided upon six goals, however. Belk said the nine goals were from the American Association of Higher Education, while the six goals match those of the ACT-COMP. The six goals are: communicating, solving problems/critical thinking, clarifying values, functioning within social institutions, using science and technology, and using the arts.

The committee started reviewing 81 hours of proposed general education courses and "started narrowing things down from that point." The proposed total of required general education courses is now 51 hours.

"I don't know if there's any one person on the committee that agreed with everything that was proposed," said Belk. "What it is a series of compromises."

The committee also reviewed the "need" to have international cultural studies.

"Should we require foreign language study of every student at Missouri Southern?" asked Belk.

Belk said the process of the proposals' going through the academic policies committee was "too quick."

"It was felt we needed a hurdle—some way to slow this process down," he said. "We proposed another hurdle involved—an oversight committee between the departments and academic policies."

Other than the changes in general education requirements, Belk said the academic policies committee will be making changes in course syllabi in the future.

Jim Gray, faculty senator and assistant professor of business, reported that the faculty welfare committee had met. Gray said the committee was reviewing Southern's sabbatical leave policy.

Annetta St. Clair, assistant professor of political science and chair of the "sabbatical committee," was recognized by the Senate. She said she was present to answer any questions the senators might have regarding the committee.

Gray moved that the Senate accept the sabbatical committee's recommendation for a change in the sabbatical leave policy, without any discussion.

"This is the first time I have seen this," said College President Julio Leon. "From the start, I have viewed this as an administration matter."

Leon said the hiring of a replacement for one semester for a faculty member on sabbatical amounts to "about half a faculty's salary."

Said Leon, "I find certain aspects there (in the recommendation) that certainly are desirable—(such as) for a faculty that receives a prestigious grant. Those instances are very rare."

"Though the administration has not had time to review the policy, it will listen to suggestions from the Senate."

"I believe the faculty welfare committee looked at sabbaticals before the North Central (accreditation team) visit," said Senate President Betsy Griffin. "The team members certainly considered it important."

The financial health of an institution worries about what happens in a year," said Leon. "We are dependent on what we get from Jefferson City."

St. Clair suggested the College set up a fund for sabbaticals—"so it doesn't take a chunk out of salaries."

The Senate is to continue discussion on the sabbatical policy change at its next meeting.



Informal workout

Chris Milliman, a member of the Missouri Southern soccer team, deflects a shot during an informal workout Monday afternoon. (Chart photo by Steve Womack)

Company loans computers to Southern

Wanting to "expose students to all kinds of computers," Computer Patch has loaned the College some needed hardware and software.

"They have loaned us about \$8,000 worth of equipment," said Jim Gray, assistant professor of business. "I'm using it in my hardware-software class. About 70 students will be able to use the equipment."

Gray said Computer Patch has loaned Southern two Macintosh SE computer stations. In addition, three software packages loaned by the store will be utilized by the students.

"I've been using software provided by Computerland in the past," Gray said. "They have given us different computer packages that will aid the students."

According to Gray, Southern will use the equipment for a 12-week period.

"I was concerned that Macintosh has become more important in the business workplace," he said. "I would like to see more of this type of cooperation so we can stay current with what's being used by industry."

Gray said the computer stores gain

from loaning Southern the equipment because students can become more familiar with the new equipment.

"It is my strong belief that both Southern and the computer stores can benefit from this," he said.

"The computer is a tool. In order to allow the business student to be marketable in using that tool, we have to expose the student to the latest hardware and software being used. This is one way we can keep current in an ever-changing industry."

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OUR EDITORIALS

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Low attendance was a disgrace

Multi-Cultural Week, completed Friday, was a triumph in diversity. However, the students of Missouri Southern proved to be failures in adapting that diversity.

The College, which has been sponsoring Multi-Cultural Week since 1984, was successful in bringing together aspects of various cultures in the span of one week. Such events as "International Day," an Oriental rug show, "A Day In the Life," and a "Native American Show and Tell" demonstrated the College's interest in setting itself apart from other institutions.

Nevertheless, the College was unable to spark enough interest in the students to really call Multi-Cultural Week a success. Attendance at some of the events was, to put it simply, dismal. Consider:

- No one attended "The Changing Ethnic Composition of the American School System."
- Only four attended "Entrepreneurship Overseas."
- Only five attended the "Oriental Rug Show and Sale."
- Only 10 attended a session on affirmative action.
- Only 13 attended a session on "Missouri's Black History," conducted by the state archivist.

Could Southern have done better in advertising Multi-Cultural Week to the students and to the community in general? Or was it just plain indifference on the part of the students that spelled doom for an extremely promising idea?

There were, however, a pair of bright spots. The outstanding presentation of "A Day In the Life" by David Cohen had great response, while the film *The Vigil—Remembering Lovejoy* also garnered significant interest. But these showings were not enough to make Multi-Cultural Week the success it should have been.

The poor attendance at the lecture by the state archivist was especially sad, considering that Dr. Gary Cramer traveled here from Jefferson City. One faculty member described this lack of attendance "disgusting and embarrassing."

Multi-Cultural Week provided an opportunity for students to become aware of the reasons for which America has been called "the melting pot." What we have here is a plain and simple case of apathy and maybe a little ignorance of the cultures that make up these United States. Before it attempts another Multi-Cultural Week, the College ought to re-evaluate whether such an undertaking is worth the effort and expense.

YOUR LETTERS

Please submit "Letters to the Editor" to The Chart office in Hearnes Hall 117 by noon Monday for publication in that week's edition. All letters must be typed or printed neatly, and signed. Letters of fewer than 300 words receive priority consideration.

Reader defends what he wrote in previous letter

You know, I was really hoping that I wouldn't have to write another letter to the editors of *The Chart*. But sometimes things don't work out the way that they are supposed to.

Dr. Morgan, your letter was quite a lesson for communication students. What I mean in the letter and what you read are probably two different things. Print is only what people read into it, but none the less I will defend what I wrote, and will discuss it openly and honestly with anyone who asks.

Words get put on paper and then the reader puts in his own interpretation of those words. These interpretations come from one's own experiences and thoughts, no matter how well written, the final interpretation is totally sub-

ject to the reader, his past, present, and future all affect how he reads and why.

First and foremost, I do not condone the use of the invective used by Coach Williams on that one occasion. Names though, are only names. All people have derogatory names for other races, colors, and people.

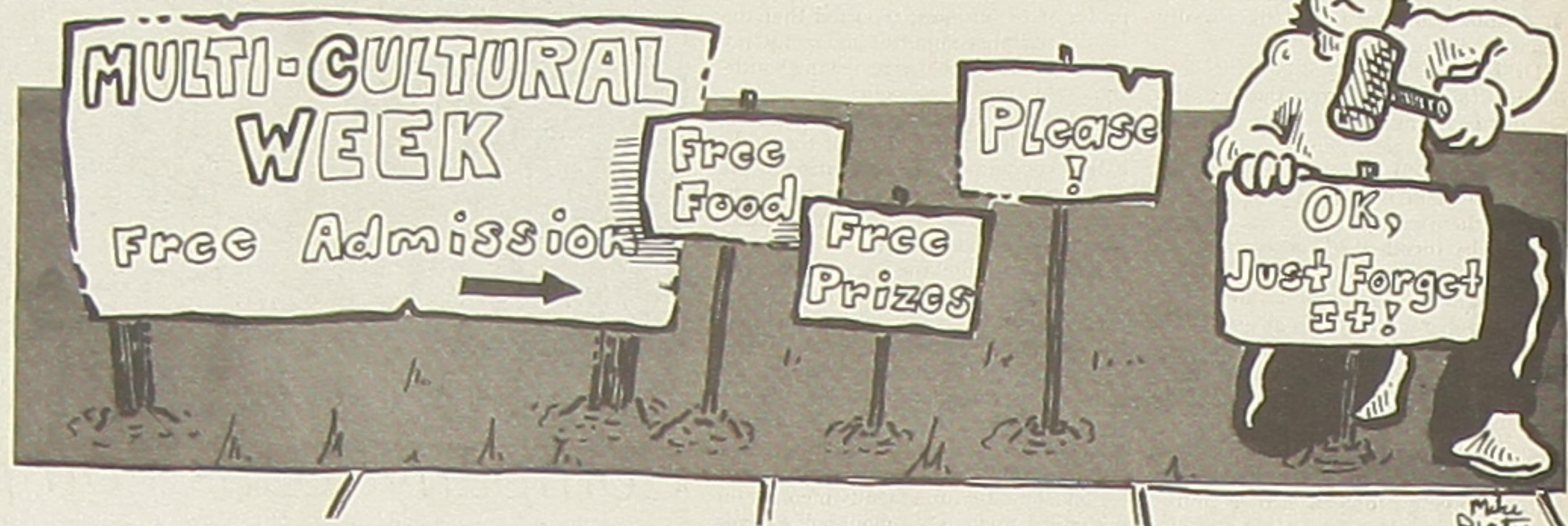
The reason I defended Coach Williams is because I know that he isn't a racist. Extreme frustration, worry, and anger at human beings with whom he was dealing caused the incident. We are all prone to anger and mistakes, and the worst mistakes of all happen when we are angry.

Secondly, I really did not want to write a second letter to the editor. The whole situation needs to be dropped, and if not forgiven

or forgotten, then learned from. Mistakes will be made by every human being and no one can punish the person who makes the mistake like the person who made it. You, I, and Coach Williams know that the term he used was wrong, and I know that Coach regrets the day that it happened, and in the dark of the night I'm sure it comes back to haunt him. Coach is punishing himself more than you or I ever could.

Personally I have forgiven Coach. I do not condone the use of such invectives, but I also know the context of the situation in which it happened and was used. What I really meant

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In spring my thoughts turn to camping?

By John Ford
Assistant Editor

Ah, spring! In the springtime, a young man's fancy turns to thoughts of... Camping?

Perhaps the last thing you thought about, right? Well, today my topic for a column is camping. However, this is not a column on how to go camping, nor is it on where to go camping. No, it's about a humorous event which took place in my life while I was camping.

Ever go on a nice, long, vacation with family or friends? Ever notice, after a couple of days, that strange odor coming from the back of the van or station wagon? Try going on such a trip with 14 Boy Scouts, ages 12 to 17. Think about the scent



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coming from 28 smelly feet. Let your imagination soar with such heady thoughts.

Anyway, on such a trip, it is easy to become bored with the road, the sights, fast food, and smelly feet. Also boring are endless discussions on rock music, cars, girls, high school, and every other adolescent activity you can imagine. That was when we began to discuss sports, or rather, began to invent new sports. I thought we came up with a pretty good one, although as of yet I haven't seen it in the Winter Olympics. Perhaps in 1992.

The sport we invented is known by several names, including glacier jumping, tarp shooting, and poncho rafting in the snow.

The sport involved taking a poncho (a piece of plastic raingear), climbing the nearest glacier, spreading the poncho out, sitting on it, and, with your hands, pushing off from the mountain and whizzing down it at a high rate of speed. Kind of

like an Olympic luge run, without sled or track.

Carefully, my friends and I poured over minor details of the sport. Where would we find a glacier, and when we did, how many people should ride a poncho down the mountain at a time? We found glaciers easily enough, since we were stopping and camping at Glacier National Park. We also decided that two was a good number to ride a poncho, because we wanted weight in order to go faster, and only two could fit on a poncho at once.

We waited patiently for the day of the event. Finally, that day arrived. When we arrived at Glacier Park, we first had a snowball fight. In July. Then, tiring of that, we decided now was the time for glacier shooting. Grasping our ponchos firmly in our right hands, and with a camera in my left, we set out to conquer the mountain.

The climb to the summit was beautiful. Along the way we saw a mountain goat drinking from a crystal-clear mountain stream. I took some photos,

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A compilation of some of the best advice

By Terri Honeyball
President, Student Senate

For some of us, graduation is just eight short weeks ahead. Most of us are trying to get our resumes and application letters out, and it is becoming clear that the competition for the best job is very steep. When I started college five years ago, May of 1988 seemed like an eternity away. Now that first day seems like yesterday. Throughout my college career I have received a lot of advice and with it I have made many decisions, both good and bad. The following information is some of the best advice I have received over the years. Some of it I took and some of it I wish I had taken.

First, decide what you want to do early. If you choose your major early in your college career, you can use your electives wisely. If you jump from major to major you may lose a semester or a whole year without making any real progress.

There are several services on campus that will help you determine a major that's right for you. Use the Discover program in the counseling center. It's very user friendly and you can get a wide variety of information about your interests and career



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choices in a few minutes. While you are there, talk to the counselors. They are always willing to help and have many resources available which may assist in your decision making.

If you know what major you're interested in, talk to someone who actually works in that field. This can often help you make decisions about courses you'll need and may provide you with a useful contact later.

Talk to your advisers and any instructors who may be able to help you get an internship in your field. More and more area businesses are offering these programs to Southern's students, but you may have to do some inquiring to find a program in your area. It can't hurt to ask.

When making out your schedule, try to take classes that are universally marketable. Classes that increase your communication skills such as writing and public speaking will definitely help you later. Another area to get some experience in is computers. They are finding their way into just about every field—so take advantage of some of those elective hours and possibly have an edge later.

Don't just pass your classes—do well in them. You're going to be competing with a lot of other college graduates for the job you want. Give yourself a chance.

Another area I'm always plugging is campus activities. I truly believe that involvement in clubs and organizations will carry over as valuable experience later. Experience working with groups, making decisions on projects, and opportunities for leadership are just a few benefits you can receive from campus involvement. There are over 50 organizations on campus. There is at least one that is right for you.

Finally, I want to talk about the placement office. As a senior I've been in there a lot lately. But it's not just for seniors, it's for all students. Did you know there is a career library tucked inside that office where any student can find information on a career or a company? Whether it is for a class project or to make plans for your future, I recommend that you check it out.

Another of the many services offered by the placement office is information on off-campus part-time jobs. They are also working on establishing a co-op program and a career advocate program. You will be able to go through their office to make that contact for advice about your field of interest.

These tips are just a few that you will receive as you make your way through college. I know that if you try them you will come out ahead. Don't wait until it's too late—start making career decisions before your senior year. The competition for the best jobs will be among the best prepared—let yourself be in that minority.

'Southern is a very caring college'

After reading a lot of complaints lately in the "Letters To the Editor" section of this paper, I felt it was time to say something good for a change. I especially have to comment after reading about Missouri Southern's alleged "uncaring attitude."

Having attended another college before transferring to MSSC, I can honestly say that Southern is a very caring college. I have received more encouragement, kindness, and even education at MSSC than I ever did at the

previous college. The business offices, student information office, custodial workers, librarians, and instructors have all been nice.

Since I'm a biology major, I want to especially commend that department for having the greatest teachers possible! They really know their field and care about their students. I want them to know that those cheerful

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Expansion is Gorman's main goal

Expansion of the boundary limits which the Downtown Joplin Association serves is one of Ken Gorman's main goals.

"We need to expand it because there's a lot of retail between here and 32nd Street," said Gorman, director of the DJA. "Right now, I sit on the farthest boundary heading south, with First and Main being the farthest north boundary."

Gorman is the proprietor of Ken's Showplace T.V. and Appliance, which opened in 1986. The business is located at 922 Main.

"I've been in retail sales and management 23 years," Gorman said. "Although I have one of the newest businesses, I'm not the 'new kid on the block' so to speak."

Gorman believes the removal of downtown parking meters has been a boon to business.

"I'm so glad we don't have them," he said. "The meter removal brought business back to downtown."

Gorman and other Association officers see numerous advantages to downtown Joplin from a professional's point of view.

"Downtown is Joplin's business center," said Bill Cage of Joplin Computers, DJA vice president. "It offers offices, specialty shops, financial services. It is more upscale, less of a shopping center, and more of a business center. If you have business to conduct, chances are you'll conduct that business downtown."

William Webb, owner of William Webb Interiors, currently serves as a director of the Association. He believes the area offers something else as well.

"The main advantage is the fact that it's an old historical area. It's Joplin," he said.

Gorman saw an additional benefit of a downtown location.

"Traffic flow is a lot slower downtown than on Rangeline," he said. "It's harder to read a business' sign traveling on Rangeline than on Main."

According to Gorman, local merchants offer friendly, in-town service.

"There are several times a year you can buy, from a local merchant, a better quality good at a lower price than at a local chain store," he said. "This proves there are educated buyers now, more than five years ago. They will shop around."



Director

Ken Gorman, director of the Downtown Joplin Association, has owned and operated Ken's Showplace T.V. and Appliance since 1986. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)

Seminar stresses coping

Several aspects of divorce will be featured

Helping persons cope with divorce will be the focus of a seminar sponsored by the Joplin Family YMCA.

The seminar will be a series of eight meetings from March 24-May 12, with the sessions held every Thursday night.

"There will be a different person to speak each week," said Kris Smith, physical director at the Y. "The speakers will be different psychologists from around the area."

Some of the speakers include Roger Paige, Cheryl Rabe, and John Godfrey. Smith said the speakers will discuss the topic in general, and then the audience

will "break into small groups" and talk about their own situations.

"Divorce Shock," "Dealing With Stress," "Dealing With Loneliness," "Sex And Divorce," "Coping With Problems," "Children And Divorce," "Your Self Esteem," and "Remarried Or Single?" will be the featured topics.

"Hopefully, we will get a variety of age groups and different types of people," said Smith.

Cost of the meetings will be \$10 for YMCA members and \$20 for non-members. The meetings will be held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Joplin Family YMCA, 510 Wall Street.

Council votes to extend runway at Joplin airport

Proposal will call for the vacating of Gum Road

By John Ford
Assistant Editor

Considering numerous items and proposals, including the vacating of Gum Road, the Joplin City Council met in regular session Monday.

It was proposed the road be vacated in order for the Joplin Airport to extend its north-south runway. Several people spoke at the meeting about the proposal, including a pilot who was concerned with pilot and passenger safety. Alden Beurge, the pilot and an airport advisory board member, was in favor of the runway extension because it would bring about necessary repairs to the runway.

"This runway has deteriorated, and it is unsafe for most aircraft to land on it due to the large potholes."

—Dr. Ben Rosenberg, airport advisory board

way," said Rosenberg. "For those who don't fly, airplanes land into the wind and take off into the wind. It is dangerous to land with winds at a 90-degree angle (to the plane's wings). At our airport, our main runway is subject to rather severe crosswinds. One pilot told me that today winds were up to 36 knots."

Rosenberg said the runway was constructed in the 1940s and was in need of repair.

"This runway has deteriorated, and it is unsafe for most aircraft to land on it due to the large potholes," he said.

Blake Schreck, executive vice president of the Joplin Chamber of Commerce, also was in favor of the lengthened runway.

"I, for one, would not want to drive my car down 1836 (number of the runway in question) at 110 miles an hour," Beurge said. "But yet our pilots have the choice of landing on that runway in its present condition. It has many potholes in it, a lot of cracks, and some sunken areas."

According to Beurge, many metroliners take off and land at speeds of approximately 110 miles per hour.

Finally, Beurge stressed safety as an important issue to ponder in deciding whether to approve vacating Gum Road.

"Safety, to this individual and this pilot, is a very important issue," he said. "I suggest that we all (need) to have as many options available to us as possible."

Dr. Ben Rosenberg, chairman of the airport advisory board, also voiced his approval of the extension.

"Approximately 11 years ago, through long-range planning, the city of Joplin acquired land north of the present airport for this necessary expansion," Rosenberg said. "With the consent of (the airport's) neighbors, the plan allowed Gum Road to remain open until it was needed."

Two years ago, the advisory board proposed to lengthen the north runway to 5,000 feet.

"This is necessary as a cross-wind run-

"In recent meetings with managers and owners of local business and industry, the airport has continually surfaced as a major area of common concern," Schreck said. "They see a viable airport as an important component of the future growth of our metro area."

Opponents to the proposal voiced several concerns about the runway extension. The construction of an underpass beneath the runway was discussed, but was not deemed feasible because of the costs involved. Two people at Monday's meeting also listed fire safety as a major area of concern.

Emma Jo Walker, owner of a home near the airport, opposed the plan to vacate the road because it would take longer for her children to get to school.

"I'm also concerned about the (fire) safety because our home did burn to the ground 10 years ago, and I know how long it takes for a fire truck to get there," she said.

After close to an hour of discussion, the Council voted 8-0 (Earl Carr was absent from the meeting) to pass the request to vacate Gum Road.

The City Council's next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 21.

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hello's, pats of encouragement, and words of help mean a lot to this sometimes study-weary student.

But then, maybe it's my attitude. I waited 10 years to begin my college education and I came here to fulfill a dream. Everyday, in some way, some-

Deborah Smith

Reader/From Page 4

to point out in my first letter was did those people writing the letters that I read know the context of the situation?

No, Dr. Morgan, I did not misquote you, because I did not quote you. What I said in my first letter was a reaction to three letters. As I read them the feeling came over me that they were practically calling for a mob and a rope, but that was just "my" reaction to the letters.

David Kirksey

Parent expresses concern

I would like to express my concern regarding the recent personnel change at the Child Development Center. As a parent with a child currently enrolled in Mrs. Paula Gillespie's classroom, I would like to express my sincere satisfaction with not only the quality of care Mrs. Gillespie has shown my daughter, but her genuine

Kimberly Mitchell

End of five-year trail is near

For five years I have thought that I couldn't wait for this time to come and wondered if it ever really would. Yes, the end of the trail is near, but where is the jubilation? It's melancholy I feel. Somewhere along this five year trail of sleepless nights, textbooks, tests, and red marks I've come to love this learning environment, called MSSC.

Because of MSSC, I can now view life through a much broader scope. Before Prof. Christensen's class, I couldn't "see the forest for the tree." Thanks to Prof. Smith, I now know where all of those cities in the Soviet Union are when they are mentioned on the TV news. I still wonder how I ever learned how to spell some of those names though. And yes, Prof.

Thelen, I still do love country music, but thanks to you I can now appreciate many other kinds of music.

If I even began to thank all of the excellent teachers in my major area (elementary education) this Thank You Letter would be far too long for The Chart to even consider printing. So to:

Taylor Hall and all within,
Thank you for the knowledge
you have shared with me;
To all my friends, I hope to see
you now and then;
To all students, learn while you
can
For soon the trail will end.

Olive Grow



Specialists

Carrie Uthmeier and Connie Walters, both registered dietitians, offered advice to interested bypassers at the recent health and nutrition show at the Northpark Mall.

Appleton Supply is Industry of Month

By Steve Moore
Staff Writer

Receiving an honor from the Chamber of Commerce for its contributions to the economy of Joplin, Appleton Supply Co. was chosen as the Industry of the Month for March.

A manufacturer of metal building products, such as roof edgings and corners, the company has been located in Joplin since November 1981. It is a branch of an Appleton, Wis., company.

The company originally conducted business at 3602 E. 20th in Joplin in a 17,000 square-foot facility. It moved to a new 28,000-square foot building in the Joplin Industrial Park in April 1983.

Having 15 full-time employees, Appleton Supply is managed by Michael Fowler. The company has an annual of

payroll of approximately \$200,000.

According to Fowler, the Joplin branch produces for the southern part of the United States, while the Appleton, Wis., plant concentrates on the northern part of the country. The firm sells its finished products to large wholesalers, such as Georgia Pacific, who then sell to smaller businesses throughout the region.

Although Fowler said the firm experienced a 5 percent drop in sales in 1987 because the nationwide construction of houses dropped from 1.8 million units to 1.3 million units, he termed his business as "very successful."

According to Fowler, the new building in the Joplin Industrial Park was constructed so the south wall could be expanded. Expansion was discussed two years ago, but plans were tabled when Appleton employees joined a machinist's

union. Now that the labor situation has stabilized, Fowler said expansion discussions are now resuming.

According to Fowler, he was surprised that Appleton Supply was selected as Industry of the Month.

"We don't know why they picked us," he said. "We think maybe it's because we were the first building in the industrial park."

Nonetheless, Fowler said he was happy to be selected for the honor.

"It means that the city is showing that they care about us," he said.

According to Suzanne Gilpin, vice president of the Chamber of Commerce, Appleton Supply was chosen for Industry of the Month because "they are an industry that has located here and have future plans for expansion that will add to the work force."

Campus awareness is history contest's goal

Conboy hopes to make event an annual affair

By Chris Quarton
Staff Writer

In hopes of furthering awareness of the history of Missouri Southern, the College, in conjunction with the Joplin Historical Society, is sponsoring a history contest.

Dr. Judith Conboy, department head of social sciences, Dr. Tom Holman, associate professor of history, and Helen Chickering from the Joplin Historical Society, will be co-chairing the contest.

"Hopefully the contest will make a contribution to the College by capturing some of its history and preserving it," said Conboy. "We've never done this before. This is a first."

Any individual, department, group, or organization on campus may select a topic which is related to the theme "Our Link With Missouri Southern State College's Past" and submit an entry.

The five categories include: historical paper, scrapbook, visual display, performance, and media presentation.

The first prize in each category is \$100, with a \$50 second prize. Cash awards, certificates and plaques will be awarded at the honors convocation which is to be held this semester.

"Each entrant must include a two-page explanation of how the data was collected," Conboy said. "This is to provide us with information relevant to the historical validity of the entry."

According to Conboy, judges for the contest include faculty members from

Southern, members of the Joplin Historical Society, and public educators in the area "who have had experience with these kind of contests."

Conboy said she expected approximately 10 entrants in the contest.

"We didn't expect an overwhelming number of entrants," she explained. "It is a pretty demanding assignment."

One of the entries is being prepared by the Campus Activities Board and the Social Sciences Club as a joint effort. "A Day In the Life of Southern" is a book that will include photographs from Joplin Junior College and current ones of the Southern campus.

"This is from every angle; everything you could possibly see about Southern," said Patrick Creech, coffee house chairman for the CAB. "We'd like to preserve a day in the life of Missouri Southern. The 50th anniversary makes it even more important. We thought it was something significant we could do."

There is a limit of one entry per category for an individual or a group.

The competition does have deadlines that have to be met in order for the entries to be judged. Yesterday was the deadline for submitting entry forms. The final deadline for the completed project is April 15.

All entries must focus on the theme, and must demonstrate the best possible use of the available resources.

Said Conboy: "If we did this on an annual basis, it would develop into a much larger event. It should be interesting."



Fieldwork

Television Production class students Donovan Edwards, Addie Gaddis, and Pat Nagel practice their outdoor camera skills on campus. (Chart photo by Steve Womack)

Policy changes in Daytona may affect students' spring break trips

By Brenda Kilby
Arts Editor

Although Missouri Southern is once again sponsoring a trip to Daytona Beach, Fla., during spring break, some of the rules have changed.

"We had a referendum passed to transfer jurisdiction of the beach from the cities to the county," said John Kaney, chairman of the newly-formed Beach Trust Commission, an 11-member advisory board to the Volusia County (Fla.) Council.

"Beach access is a major problem here. Last year there were traffic-free zones with barriers at each city limit," Kaney said, adding that each city wanted to keep the people inside its borders.

Kaney said since the County has taken over the beaches, the council has made some rules it felt were needed. Many of

the beach policies also have been changed. Under the new rules, driving is not permitted on the beach without paying a \$3 access fee.

"Local residents can buy a \$10 pass for one year, but out-of-town people have to pay \$25," said Kaney.

Now, all cars must leave the beach within one hour after sundown, and all people must leave beach by 3 a.m.

"We clear the beach of the cars, and if you need to travel you ride the trolley," Kaney said, referring to buses that run on the main street servicing the beaches, Atlantic Avenue.

According to Kaney, one of the reasons for the new rules was image, especially the "sleaze factor" attributed to the Daytona Beach area during spring break.

"No alcohol is allowed on the beach by anyone," he said. "We have an open con-

tainer law, and if you are in possession of an open container of liquor in any public place, or on the beach, you are subject to punishment."

Kaney did say that unless someone is causing trouble, people are not likely to be searched, especially if they are not obviously drinking beer.

Val Williams, director of student activities at Southern, said the atmosphere on the beach had changed last year when she accompanied several students during spring break. She disagrees that police will not aggressively enforce the law against open containers of alcohol on the beaches.

"Last year I watched the police," she said. "They were very strict about the open-container law, and I didn't see them looking the other way—and this was day and night."

Kaney, who also is a lawyer in Daytona Beach, added, "I've heard that people do drink on the beach, but don't press your luck."

"Our police department uses the open-container law to control crowds, and the key loudmouth usually has a can of beer in his hand."

Kaney says the law has cleaned the area up, although there still exists a "thin layer" of undesirables on the beaches. He does believe the situation is no worse in Daytona Beach than it is anyplace else.

"We have drugs here, but you have them in Joplin, too," he said. "We have one bad stretch of the beach where runaways and some sleazy people can be found, but they are removed by the police when they find them."

Williams said students from Southern going to Daytona Beach this year are ex-

Club assists campaigns

Assisting in local Republican activities, the Missouri Southern College Republicans are looking forward to a busy schedule.

"We have been keeping busy making signs, decorating stages, and helping out with security," said Mike Ales, chairman of the organization.

The College Republicans have meetings at 12:20 p.m. on the first Tuesday of every month in Room 313 of the Billingsly Student Center. Ales encourages all interested students to attend.

"This is really a great opportunity for students to get involved politically," he said.

The club has scheduled numerous activities that will include a speech on campaigns and candidates, what really goes on behind the scenes, conducted by Judge M. Keithley Williams on March 28.

"She is a very interesting speaker," said Ales. "She really tells it like it is."

Last weekend, the College Republicans assisted with security when Sen. Bob Dole visited Joplin's Northpark Mall.

In the fall, after a Republican candidate is selected, the College Republicans will increase their activities considerably.

"We are planning to be very involved in the campaign next semester," said Ales.

The club will be assisting at the Joplin Republican headquarters, keeping close tabs on the election business and its outcome.

"It will be very exciting," said Ales. "We will be right in the middle of all the com-

Upcoming Events

Today	Last Day to drop a class with a "W"	LDSSA meeting noon BSC-311	Interviews with the Oklahoma City University Law School. For information call 625-9343	Softball Doubleheader vs Pittsburg State University 3 p.m. home
Tomorrow	Last Day of late registration for mid-term classes		CAB Trip Daytona Beach bus leaves afternoon from the Police Academy	
Weekend		Baseball at the Texas Tech University Tournament through March 15	Baseball Tournament Mutt Miller Classic March 17-20 home	Softball at the Pittsburg State University Invitational March 18 & 19
Monday	<h1>SPRING BREAK NO SCHOOL THROUGH MARCH 20</h1>			
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Tennis team opens with SBU match

Tunnell focuses attention on recruiting for 1989

By Anastasia Umland
Staff Writer

If ever the word "inexperienced" was appropriate, it might best describe the women's tennis team.

Absent from the Missouri Southern sports scene since 1981, the tennis squad will make its return Saturday in a 1 p.m. match at Southwest Baptist University.

Hartford Tunnell, head coach, does not have any prior experience coaching at the college level. Just as inexperienced, the team will have only four players.

"I am very excited to be a part of this at the beginning," Tunnell said. "It will be a lot of work, but it will be worth it."

However, he has played tennis for 25 years and has given tennis lessons for several years.

The implementation of this program will satisfy NCAA requirements. Membership prerequisites call for an institution to sponsor four men's and four women's programs. Southern already has women's basketball, volleyball, and softball.

"This ruling was an essential factor in getting tennis organized at Southern," said Tunnell. "I am pleased."

Since this is the first year of the program, Tunnell is focusing his attention on recruiting.

"I've had good luck so far," he said. "Several girls who are nationally ranked have applied to be part of Southern's team, and I believe they will be strong candidates."

This spring the Lady Lions will field only a four-member team, consisting of freshman Anna Rodriguez, junior Susie Walton, sophomore Julie McGrew, and senior Carol Denham. Rodriguez and Denham are battling for the number one singles spot and will team up to form the squad's top doubles pair.

With only four players, Southern will compete in just four singles and two doubles matches against every opponent. Other teams are able to field enough players for six singles and three doubles matches. Tunnell said that will "decrease Southern's chances of winning."

"We pretty much have had to go with the players that we already had on campus," said Tunnell. "The program has attracted a lot of interest from girls from out of state and many of them have visited our campus. We are looking forward to having eight to 10 players next year."

The Lady Lions will play at Northwest Missouri State on April 2 and at Drury College on April 23. Southern will host Missouri Western on April 9 and Southwest Baptist on April 16.

"I'm pretty optimistic," said Tunnell. "We are just starting out, and I haven't really seen the other teams play, so I can't make any predictions. I realize it will take several years to build up the program."

Tunnell said he has received much support and encouragement from the administration and athletic department.

"The administration has given me whatever I have needed," he said. "We have already gotten the funding, so now it is up to me to get it off the ground."



Final preparations

Coach Pat Lipira gives batting tips to Kim House and Angie Murphy during yesterday's practice session. The Lady Lions open their season today. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)

Lady Lions host PSU today in opener

Southern, ranked seventh in NAIA, will field 'young and inexperienced' team

By Anastasia Umland
Staff Writer

Opening their season against Pittsburgh State University today, Missouri Southern's softball team is wanting to get started on the right foot.

After finishing last season with a 40-16 record, the Lady Lions are seventh in the NAIA pre-season poll. Southern's home doubleheader will begin at 3 p.m. at Lea Kungle Field.

Despite the ranking, Pat Lipira said the team will have to prove itself.

"We have a young and inexperienced team this season," said Lipira, head coach. "Also, several players are out with injuries."

Center fielder Angie Murphy, left fielder Jennifer Burken, catcher Patsy Hudson, and second baseman Pam Mayfield are the only returning players.

Two other players, senior pitcher Christi Tidman and senior rightfielder Tracie Johanning, are not expected to see any action this season. Tidman has had muscle spasms in her neck since an automobile accident in late January.

"She has not thrown a ball since the accident and has no idea when she can resume softball," said Lipira.

Johanning suffered a dislocated shoulder and is uncertain of recovery.

This leaves a number of positions to be filled by "rookies." Trying to replace Tidman on the roster, Lipira has added senior Shelly Hodges Garr, a two-time honorable mention All-American volleyball player. She played softball in high school, but this will be her first chance to pitch at the college level. Freshman Julie Ruckman also will see time on the mound.

"Everyone is doing the best they can, and I think we will be a good team,"

Lipira said. "I am trying to keep the team thinking positive."

Despite a hectic practice schedule and her team's limited experience, Lipira is anticipating a good season.

"All the girls are really working together," she said. "We have a lot of talented players, and we are looking forward to a good season."

Although the Lady Lions will have to wade their way through three weeks worth of games, Lipira finds herself looking ahead to the NAIA District 16 tournament on April 1-2.

"In our case, this district match is coming a bit early in the season," she said. "We will not have a lot of time to really jell together as a team."

However, Lipira thinks the season looks pretty good.

"I think we might make it to nationals again this year," she said.

Baseball Lions face rejuvenated KU today

By Rob Smith
Executive Manager

Warren Turner's Lions find themselves in a strange situation entering today's doubleheader at the University of Kansas.

Missouri Southern, which dropped a pair of contests Tuesday to Oral Roberts University, will play another NCAA Division I opponent. But unlike the others, Kansas is not considered an offensive powerhouse.

On the other hand, Kansas has a new head coach. Dave Bingham, former Emporia State head coach, has been Turner's conference "nemesis" since the 1970s.

"This new coach (Bingham) has beaten me many times," said Turner. "He's beaten me all along."

It was Bingham's Emporia State that beat Southern in the finals of the NAIA World Series in 1978. Most recently, it was Emporia State that dropped the Lions 8-5 in the World Series last season.

"It's just one of those things," said Bingham. "I've always thought Southern has had a good program. Over the years, I've had a good rivalry with Southern."

This time, Bingham finds himself in an

entirely different situation. After building Emporia State's program to one of the best in the NAIA, he gets to start over. Kansas finished 3-21 in the Big Eight last season and 15-39-1 overall.

"It's a much different perspective at Kansas," Bingham said. "They have never won more than 35 games in a season."

"We like to play as many home games as possible, and if Coach Turner is willing to load up the bus and come down, we'll play them anytime."

—Larry Hays, Texas Tech baseball coach

"I felt the Kansas job was a great opportunity. I've watched it for a long time while I was at Emporia. There's a lot of potential here."

After today's game, Southern will travel to Lubbock, Texas, for spring break games against Texas Tech, 11-6-1. According to Larry Hays, Texas Tech head coach, the Lions will play the Red Raiders seven times in four days beginning Saturday.

"The reason we play Southern is that

"We're helping Southern in a way," he said. "That (playing the larger schools) helped me build my program at Lubbock Christian. I'll play anyone that's running a quality program."

"It's hard for us to find enough home games. We like to play as many home games as possible, and if Coach Turner is willing to load up the bus and come down, we'll play them anytime."

District honors Rank, Wilson

Winning the honor for the second year in a row, senior forward Anita Rank has been named to the NAIA All-District 16 team.

In addition, junior guard Trish Wilson was named to the second team. Sophomore forward Sonya Trimbath was an honorable mention selection.

Rank, who was a second-team pick as a sophomore, was runner-up for district player-of-the-year honors. She led the Lady Lions in virtually every offensive category. She averaged 22.6 points and 10.5 rebounds per game. Near the end of the season, Rank became the school's all-time leading scorer with 1,842 points.

Wilson started all 26 games this season for the Lady Lions. She was the team's second-leading scorer, averaging 11.1 points per game.

Trimbath was second on the squad in field-goal percentage (50 percent) and was the team's third-leading rebounder (5.5 per game).

Teresa Friedrich of Evangel College was named district player of the year, while Serbrina Andrews of School of the Ozarks was voted newcomer of the year.

Terry Ellis, Missouri Western head coach, was named district coach of the year. Ellis guided the Lady Griffons to the district championship.



Proper form

Coach Hartford Tunnell instructs Anna Rodriguez, Julie McGrew, Susie Walton, and Carol Denham on how to properly hit a forehand volley. (Chart photo by Steve Womack)



NCAA move will require more dollars

Complaints about spending are not uncommon. A person could argue 100 different ways about each and every dime spent by Missouri Southern.

I could argue that a certain professor is not worth \$40,000 per year. Someone could make a point against installing new lights in the parking lot or purchasing new history books. Whatever the case, only one thing is evident: If Southern is going to actively and successfully compete in the NCAA, more College funds will have to be funneled in that direction.

We are all willing to jump on the bandwagon. The NAIA doesn't sound as prestigious, so let's join the NCAA like all the other important colleges. But what we fail to realize is that when we made a commitment to the NCAA, we also made a dollar commitment. Maybe it wasn't intentional, but it will take money.

Sallie Beard, women's athletic director, said Southern's athletic facilities are her top concern.

"Whether that gets any attention in the future, I don't know," she said. "We will, without a doubt, have the worst facilities in the MIAA (in Robert Ellis Young Gymnasium)."

Pat Lipira, volleyball coach, said Southern will be ineligible to host a MIAA conference tournament based on facilities. Lincoln University and Southern do not have the three courts required to host such an event.

"We have too many people using Robert Ellis Young Gymnasium," Beard said. "It's not just a problem for the athletes. It affects a lot of people. We don't have enough dressing rooms for visiting teams. We don't have enough teaching facilities."

Jim Frazier, men's athletic director, said the needs are twofold.

"We have more than one need in facilities," he said. "We need an arena, and hopefully we could fill that arena."

"But a greater need is a multiple indoor facility for practice."

Frazier said the multiple indoor facility would result in additional room for team practices.

But like anything else, it takes money. New facilities are rarely created by the Fairy Godmother.

There's more to this column than a request for a fieldhouse or any other athletic facility for that matter. It's a request for financial seriousness on our part. Without it, how can Southern compete effectively in this new conference?

"We don't anticipate an increase in funding," Frazier said. "We do anticipate having to do more outside fund raising."

"It won't be the athletic department's decision," Beard said. "We work with whatever we can get."

Both Beard and Frazier said they do not expect the funding to be distributed differently within the athletic program. Each sport will get the same proportional amount it has received in the past.

Nevertheless, something needs to be done with the College checkbook. With additions to Matthews Hall, Taylor Hall, and Reynolds Hall now complete, we need two other things.

First, get me a new gymnasium, but do one thing differently. Don't call it a gym. Call it an "arena" or a "fieldhouse." High schools have gyms; colleges have fieldhouses.

Second, support the athletic department during the transition from NAIA to NCAA. Rather than join the bandwagon, realize it's going to take money to move up.

If the College is not willing to back this move (both in the heart and in the checkbook) the move should not be made. It should be supported rather than just done.

Why should the College have the wings of the NCAA if it is not willing to fly?

□ Rob Smith is executive manager of The Chart.